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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 20, 2003
8:45 A.M.

The City Council met at the above place and date at approximately 9:06 a.m. Mayor Pro Tem Anthony W. Cobos present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Susan Austin, Robert A. Cushing, Jr., John F. Cook, and Vivian Rojas. Absent: Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Jose Alexandro Lozano, Daniel S. Power and Paul J. Escobar.

AGENDA

1. Discussion on any items posted on the City Council Agenda for October 21, 2003.
2. Discussion & Action on the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) preparation and process for the program plan adoption.
[Building & Planning Services Department, Patricia D. Adauto, (915) 541-4853]

❖ **Under Item 1 the following items from the October 21, 2003 City Council Agenda were discussed:**

Representative Austin questioned:

- **Item 2: Discussion and action to direct the Mayor to fire the El Paso Housing Authority Board of Directors and demand a freezing of all hiring and firing until a new board is seated. (Nancy Green).**

Representative Cushing commented. Representative Cook and Representative Austin requested guidance from the City Attorney's Office on removal provisions and the limits of Council's authority.

- **Item 5F: That the Mayor be authorized to sign a Termination of Lease Agreement whereby the City of El Paso releases and quitclaims any interest in certain improvements purchased under the 6th Year (1980-1981) Community Development Program in connection with the Leases between El Paso Community Mental Health Mental Retardation Center and The Board of Regents of the University of Texas System. (District3)
[Community and Human Development, Nathalie Prise, (915) 541-4241]**

Deborah Hamlyn, Director of Community Development gave back-up.

- **Item 11C: Nomination of Walter Tippin, D.D.S., to the El Paso City-County Board of Health by Representative Jose Alexandro Lozano, District 3. Appointment contingent on nomination by El Paso Dental Society.**

Representative Cook, Austin and Cobos commented. Representative Cobos requested that it be moved to the regular agenda.

- **Item 17F: BT2004-053 HEALTH**
Monies are needed to be moved in the Food Participation Fund to be able to comply with the increasing food handlers and managers classes and inspections, and to assist the implementation of the new Permitting Program.

Increase	\$143,111	to	41411546/50101/407002	Est Rev
Increase	\$131,591	to	41411546/50101/508010	DataProcEq
Increase	\$ 11,520	to	41411546/50101/502215	Outside Cont

Mark Everett, City-County Health Environmental District Department Administrator, gave back-up.

- **Item 24A: An Ordinance amending Title 12 (Vehicles and Traffic), Chapter 12.88 (Schedules), Section 12.88.200 (Schedule XVII-Restrictions On Parking In Residential Districts), of the El Paso Municipal Code, to add Zone F: No Parking anytime, within a portion of the Alexander Subdivision (Kern Place Neighborhood). The penalty as provided in Section 12.84.010 (Violation-Penalty) of the El Paso Municipal Code. (District 1)**

Representative Austin explained item and the concerns of the neighbors. Mayor Pro Tem Cobos, Cushing and Cook commented and asked questions of Representative Austin and of Ted Marquez, Traffic Engineer.

- **Item 25 PUBLIC HEARING – FIRE:**
[Fire Department, Chief Rivera, (915) 771-1000]
An Ordinance granting a renewal of the franchise for Sun City Ambulance Service, Inc., dba, Rio Grande Ambulance Services, to operate a non-emergency ambulance transfer service.

Loretta Jordan, Deputy Fire Chief, gave back-up.

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- ❖ **Item 2: Discussion & Action on the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) preparation and process for the program plan adoption.**

Pat Adauto, Deputy CAO for Building and Planning Services, gave back-up on the time-line that must be followed for the bond election to secure authorization from the Department of Justice and answered the questions of Council.

Representative Austin and Representative Rojas questioned the time-line and how it applies to changes to the wording of the items to be placed before the voters.

Mayor Pro Tem Cobos commented on the importance of getting a ranking of the items from staff as quickly as possible.

Representative Austin asked about the absence of the cages for the animal shelter.

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Motion made by Representative Cushing, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Cobos and unanimously carried to adjourn this meeting at 9:51 a.m.

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APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk



Lisa A. Elizondo, City Attorney